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SUBJECT: EXPORTS OF PORUTUGUESE ARMS

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ON SEPTEMBER 24 WE HAD OCCASION TO DISCUSS PRIVATELY WITH PORTUGUESE REP THE US REACTION TO THE PORUTUGUESE REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED EXPORT OF PORTUGUESE ARMS. VERIFYING FACTS, WE LEARNED THAT 20,000 AUTOMATIC RIFLES (NOT 10,000 AS PORTUGUESE REP PREVIOUS REPORTED) ARE INTENDED FOR THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES; AND THAT THE 50,000 ROUNDS OF "AMMUNITION" ARE 105MM SHELLS, NOT AMMUNITION FOR THE AFOREMENTIONED RIFLES. WE DREW ON POINTS IN REF A AND INQUIRED WHETHER PORTUGUESE REP HAD ANY INFORMATION AS TO INTENDED END USERS OF THE TWO ARMS SHIPMENT IN QUESTION. PORTUGUESE SAID HE HAD NO SUCH INFORMATION BUT WOULD INQUIRE INFORMALLY OF HIS MFA CONTACT. PORTUGUES REP SAID ONLY OTHER RESPONSE HE HAD RECEIVED WAS FROM UK WHICH INDICATED IT HAD NO OBJECTION TO THESE PROPOSED

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SHIPMENTS AND THAT HMG WOULD AUTHORIZE THEM IF IT WERE A BRITISH MANUFACTURER APPLYING FOR EXPORT LICENSE. BRUCE

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